

Application No. 09/649,122  
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## REMARKS

In the Official Action it is noted that claims 1-84 are pending in this application. Claims 15, 21, 25, 26, 64 and 85 have been previously cancelled without prejudice and thus claims 1-14, 16-20, 22-24, 27-63 and 65-84 are presently pending.

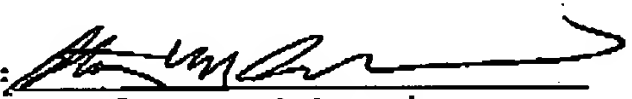
In response to the requirement for restriction, applicant hereby elects the GROUP I claims which include 1-14, 16, 20, 22-24, 27-45 and 82-84. This election is made without traverse.

An early Official Action on the merits is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned attorney to discuss any matter that would expedite allowance of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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